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NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 128, Nassau Street.

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## BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$200,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS

Chairman—E. R. BELLINSON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—AD. ANDRE, Esq. J. B. COOPER, Esq. S. W. FOMEROY, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq. F. D. BASSON, Esq. A. MOLIVE, Esq.

ACT. CHIN MANAGER.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 6 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drifts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

## NOTICES OF FIRMS.

### NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIESS has been authorized to sign for us by Procuration.

We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

MR. LUDWIG SIEGMUND LITTHENS is authorized to sign our Firm for Procuration.

W. PUSTAU & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU, JUR., is authorized to sign our Firm.

W. PUSTAU & CO.

Hongkong, December 23, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of the late Mr. J. C. KREUZMANN ceased with his death at Yokohama on the 27th of August last, and the Business will be carried on as heretofore and under the same style and Firm by our Mr. H. KREUZMANN.

Mr. RICHARD FUCHBERGER has been authorized to sign the Firm.

KRUEZ & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

MR. H. C. ERDMANN has been admitted as a Partner in our Firm, and Mr. ALFRED HERTZ has been authorized to sign for us per Procuration.

CARLOWITZ & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Under-signed.

WM. CRUCKSHANK,

Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

## NOTICES OF FIRMS.

### NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS of the Undersigned will henceforth be carried on under the Name or Style of H. KIER & CO.

H. KIER.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the Firm of

G. RAYNAL & CO.

at this Port, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

GUSTAV RAYNAL,

CARL MILLICH.

Macao, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Viscount DE CERCAL in our Firm ceased from the 1st April 1876.

A. A. DE MELLO & CO.

Macao, January 1, 1877.

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### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late MR. ALFRED HUTCHISON in our Firm Ceased on the 26th February 1876.

DEACON & CO.

Canton, January 1, 1877.

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### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,

W. HULSE.

Canton, December 31, 1876.

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### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES BEWICK QUELCH in our Firm Ceased on the 30th September, 1876.

The Business will be Continued under the Style of CAMPBELL & CO.

QUELCH & CAMPBELL.

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

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### NOTICE.

THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FEHR will from this Date be carried on as heretofore under the Style of

J. D. MEYER & CO.

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

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### NOTICE.

THE Firm of E. R. BELLINSON

will be carried on as heretofore under the Style of

EDWARD HERTZ.

Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877.

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## INTIMATIONS.

### THE MEDICAL HALL,

81, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1853.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

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### THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

## INTIMATIONS.

### MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & CO.'S CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente. Qualities One \*\*, Two \*\*\*, Three \*\*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

### POMMERY & GRENO'S

"Extra Seco." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

## SHIPPING.

### Steamers.

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship

"GLENROY,"

A. TAYLOR, Commander, will

be despatched as above on or

about the 10th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

### NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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P. & O. S. N. CO.'S S. S. LOMBARDY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Sambay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the BOKHARA and ZAMBESI from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 20, 1877. ja27

FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABBAS AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Gunga, Captain A. GARCIAU,

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

B. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL.

Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

## AUCTIONS.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH & CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ENGRAVINGS, GLASS-WARE, PLATED-WARE, &c., &c.

ONE BILLIARD TABLE, WITH BALLS, CUES, &c., &c.

COMPLETE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEARD & CO., to sell by Public Auction, on

## TUESDAY,

the 30th day of January,

## For Sale.

TUBORG'S FABRIKKER  
DANISH BEER.  
To be had from  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 15, 1877. fe12

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ADOLF STRACK in our Firm Ceased on the 31st December, 1876.

Mr CHARLES KATZ is admitted a Partner from the 1st January, 1877.

DEETJEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 26, 1877. ja28

GERMAN BARK BERTHA, FROM HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

WIELER & Co.

Hongkong, January 26, 1877.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour.—

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.—Melschers & Co.

BRIDGEPORT, British barque, Captain E. W. Crisp.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FLYING CLOUD, British barque, Captain E. Williams.—Turner & Co.

IRENE, German schooner, Captain O. Hansen.—Carlowitz & Co.

HANTS COUNTY, British barque, Captain G. W. Cochran.—Meyer & Co.

CYCLONE, American bark, Capt. E. Kelly.

STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blakely.—Douglas Lapraat & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

JAN. 26, Buda Cao, Siamese barque, 388, C. Lange, Bangkok Jan. 7, Timber.—CHINESE.

JAN. 26, Bertha, German barque, 440, C. H. T. Ringo, Hamburg Sept. 5, General.—WIELER & Co.

JAN. 26, Nehemiah Gibson, American barque, 741, D. Bradford, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Nov. 30, Coal.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

JAN. 26, Irene and Nelly, for Saigon.

26, Flying Cloud, for Bangkok.

26, Vanuatu, for Manila.

26, Fabius, for Bangkok.

26, Pallas, for Taiwan.

26, Ellen Rickmers, for Bangkok.

26, Chung Tung, Chi. g.-b., for Canton.

26, Tanais, for Yokohama.

26, Fugue, for Shanghai.

26, Amazon, for Shanghai.

26, Tay Watt, for Toulon.

## COURSES.

Fortune, for Bangkok.

Gustav Adolf, for Tientsin.

Garibaldi, for Toulon.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

None.

## DEPARTED.

Per Tanais, for Yokohama, Messrs Eykman, and Whittall.

Per Amazon, for Shanghai, Messrs Stachen, and Figueredo, Mr and Mrs Yeo, Messrs Byrne, Krause, da Silveira, Gutierrez, Miss Grimes, Mr Rawlinson, Rodes, Seguin, Fauro, Martin, Barry, and Molar.

Per Ellen Rickmers, for Bangkok, 2 Chinese.

Per Tay Watt, for Toulon, 20 Chinese.

Per Fugue, for Shanghai, 25 Chinese.

Per Irene, for Toulon, 20 Chinese.

Per Flying Cloud, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.

Per Fabius, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

## TO DEPART.

Per Garibaldi, for Toulon, 80 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German barque Bertha reports: Passed the Lizard on the 19th Sept. Experienced a heavy gale in the Indian Ocean on the 8th, 9th and 10th December; remainder of passage had moderately fine weather.

The American barque Nehemiah Gibson reports: Very heavy Southerly gales with high sea first few days. Calm and light Westerly winds from U.S. to E.N., and fine N.E. trades since leaving the Carolines. Sighted no vessels during the passage.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:—

For MANILA, 11.30 a.m.

For Barque CHARITE, at 11.30 a.m.

To-morrow, the 27th inst.

For Brig SAN LORENZO, at 4 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SAIGON, 5 p.m.

For Barque COLOMBO, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 27th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.—

For YESSO, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.

For HAIPHONG.—

For Barque BREMEN, at 8.30 p.m., on Monday, the 20th inst., instead of as previously notified.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:—

For BANGKOK.—  
For RAJANATTIANUHAR, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 30th inst.

## MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet KHIVA, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 1st February.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 31st Inst.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 1st Inst.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters, Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra

Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, January 22, 1877. fe1

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Goods per Lombardy undelivered after this date subject to rent.

## THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & Co.  
FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,  
IMPORTERS

OF

DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, NURSERY REQUISITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

OF Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerade, Potash Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.45 p.m.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JAN. 26, 1877.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

A meeting of the shareholders in the above Company was held this afternoon at the Hotel. There were present—Messrs O. H. Burrows (in the chair), E. R. Bellios, H. Smith, H. Cohen, A. E. Vaucher, Reiners, Landstein, Mardfeldt, Pereira, Goemann, and L. Hauschild (Secretary). The notice convening the meeting having been read, the Chairman said the report had been read in the hands of the shareholders, and he presumed they all had read it. It would therefore be unnecessary to read it now. It was then called attention to the fact that, in addition to payment of the usual dividend, \$2000 had been paid off within the six months under review, to reduce the Company's loan, which had been gradually reduced to its present satisfactory figure. The lease had yet one year and seven months to run, and during that time, it was hoped \$6000 more of the loan would be paid off. As to the building, he had ascertained that it was in a good condition and would not require any great outlay for its repairs. With these remarks he then proposed the adoption of the report; which was seconded by Mr Reiners and carried *en cons.*

Mr Landstein next proposed the re-election of Messrs Bellios and Burrows as directors. This, having been seconded by Mr Vaucher, was unanimously carried.

The re-election of Messrs H. Smith and Vaucher as auditors was proposed by Mr Burrows, and seconded by Mr Bellios. Carried unanimously.

This closed the business, and the Chairman said the dividend would be payable on or about the 10th of next month.

## EXHIBITION DAY AT THE GOVERNMENT CENTRAL SCHOOL.

The Annual Public Examination of the Pupils attending the Government Central School took place to-day, when the boys acquitted themselves very creditably. His Excellency the Governor Sir Arthur Kennedy presided, as usual, at the ceremony of distributing the various prizes, which was held at noon. There were present, besides His Excellency, the Hon. J. G. Austin, His Honor Mr Justice Snowden, Capt. O'Callaghan, A.D.C., Rev. Mr Kid, Rev. Dr. Eitel, Mr A. G. Romano, Father Carvalho, Messrs J. W. Torrey, Hanlon and others.

His Excellency addressed a few words to each of the juvenile "prizemen," as he handed to them the prize awarded. We append the

Buddha." This temple is one of the

favourite places of pilgrimage for the

Mongols professing the Buddhist faith

and about Peking; and the writer gives

a graphic and intelligent sketch of the

services therein held, as well as of the

shrines, images, furniture, and jades to

be found within its walls. Most of

the remaining pages of the Number are

occupied with contributions dealing

with the "term question"—concerning

which, as a contributor remarks, so much

oditum theologicum et philologicum has

been excited. These, with the more

strictly missionary matter, do not call

for special remark, except that we are

pleased to observe a cautious but appre-

ciative review of the Rev. Mr Chalmers'

recent book on terms amongst the No-

tes of recent publications. The severe

strictures passed in the *China Review*

upon Canon McLachlan's translation of

the Yih-King have called forth a rejoinder

from the Rev. Canon. From the

news column we observe that the mis-

ionaries of Shanghai presented a fare-

well address to Dr S. Wells Williams,

on the occasion of his final departure to

the United States, after a forty-three years

stay in China. An Index to the Volume

concludes the Number.

X. Class.—1, Wong Chin Ful, Ivory and Silver Pencil Case; 2, Leung Fai Kit, Ivory and Silver Pencil Case; 3, Tsui Tsoi Hi, Knife.

## CHINESE CLASSES.

## Fortnightly Examinations.

I. Class.—Kwok Hung Kwei, Binocular, presented by Head Master.

II. Class.—U Lai Cheuk, 2 Books, presented by Mr Romano.

## Ordinary Prizes.

I. Class.—1, Wat Ying Cho, Watch, presented by Mr Wong Tso Leung; 2, Yau

Wei Cheung, Ivory and Silver Pencil Case.

II. Class.—1, Kwok Shing, Ivory and Gold Pencil Case; 2, Ho Fuk, 2 Books, presented by Mr Soares.

as his Excellency, I would say that what you are taught here is not only to be made use of by you for the purposes of this life, but you should also find in it the means to enable you to die happily and not without hope. I believe that this school, although it is not a religious school, will help you to live honestly and comfortably, and to know something of the life hereafter, and if any one of you in course of time learn something about Christianity he will find himself with what I have said is truth. (Applause).

The Rev. R. H. Kidd said: During the six years of my life in this Colony on not more than one occasion having I missed the opportunity of coming to this annual prize gathering. I hope to go home soon for a time, and I should not like to go away without saying how heartily I sympathise with the work in this school. Dr. Etel has spoken to you from his point of view, and I of course do not forget that I stand up here now as Colonial Chaplain, the head of the ecclesiastical department in this Colony; and I wish to bear my testimony to the value of what is taught here. I believe in the principles which His Excellency the Governor and Dr. Etel have enunciated. I think that a Government School, and this is essentially a Government School, more so than any school in the country from which I came, for this is wholly and entirely supported by Government—under these circumstances, and remembering from whom the Government funds are derived—I think there could be no other system adopted here than that already in vogue, namely, the giving of a simple, secular, education. In England as well as in Hongkong I was and I am now of opinion that is the way in which to begin the work which has been begun in this school. We as parents can give a religious education to our own children in our own homes; we can give this instruction in our Sunday Schools, which are opened here as well as in every place in England, and then if we are not satisfied with that, there are denominational schools belonging to various sects in the colony. I am quite sure, boys, that you are receiving here such an education as will fit and prepare you for the duties of life. We, now, follow after truth seek after it; do not be satisfied with what you know now. The truth is that for which you must look, and if you do that you will find it, spiritual as well as temporal. The Central School in Hongkong will be and I believe it has been a blessing to the place. I am quite sure that His Excellency will look back with pleasure and comfort on his administration in Hongkong so far as this School is concerned, and when I go home I shall be able to give a good account of educational matters here. I say that in regard to these matters we may thank God and take courage (applause).

Mr. Stewart said they were very much indebted to His Excellency for his kindness in presenting the prizes on that occasion, and for the encouragement he had given to the boys. They were also very grateful to him for the interest and aid he had extended to the school throughout his administration of the Colony. It did them all, both masters and boys, a great deal of good, coming among them on occasions like this, especially after the hard work they had gone through. His Excellency's name and kindness would not be forgotten.

His Excellency then announced to the boys that their holidays would commence on that day, and continue until the 1st March. He urged them not to entirely neglect their studies during the period, but to devote a short time each day to them, so that what they had learnt might not be forgotten. He also reminded them that there was no real happiness in absolute idleness, and that they could forget as much in one month as they had learned in six. He hoped they would enjoy their holidays, and return to their studies in health, with happy minds and happy hearts.

#### SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Lordship Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMALE.)

26th January, 1877.

Browne & Another v. Alabor & Another,  
\$12,307.92

The following are the special Jurors:—  
Messrs A. Newton, H. Hoppius, H. Cope,  
H. L. Dalrymple, C. Kahn, T. G. Williamson  
and F. D. Sackson.

Mr. Russell, instructed by Messrs Sharp,  
Toller and Johnson, appeared for the plaintiffs.

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General  
(Mr. Phillipps), and Mr. Kingsmill, instructed  
(by Mr. Brereton), appeared for the defendants.

The Attorney General continued his address to the Jury, and commented on the particular demand of the counter-claim. He submitted that the amount the defendants fixed as the loss they sustained, was a reasonable one. After further argument, the case was final adjourned till Monday next, when his Lordship will sum up.

#### Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.)

26th January, 1877.

#### BURGLARY.

The four men charged with having committed a burglary in a house at High Street, Saikang-poo, were again arraigned before the bar. The 1st defendant admitted that he and a man named 2 took committed the robbery and divided the booty. 2 took had carried away a good portion of the property. Of his own portion he had sold some to the 2nd defendant. The 2nd defendant said the 1st defendant did sell to him a jacket and a pair of trousers, but he told him they were his, and he did not know that the things were stolen. The 3rd and 4th defendants simply denied all knowledge of the matter. It was true they were in the house when the 1st defendant brought the things there, but they did not know they were stolen, nor did they have anything to do with it. The 1st defendant was sent to six months' hard labour, and to be three times exposed in the stocks for one hour each time. The 2nd defendant was sent to two months' hard labour for receiving. The 3rd and 4th were ordered to find security in \$10 to be of good behaviour for one month.

#### LARCENY.

Chin Ayow and Chin Amui, boatmen, were charged with stealing two bags of rice from the cargo of the S. S. Rajahmattanikar. The steamer was discharging, & into a cargo boat, but somehow

there was a deficiency between the tally and the quantity that should have been actually in the boat, and a report was made to the Police. Inspector Grimes sent a Chinese Corporal of Police on board under the disguise of a servant, in order to detect the robbery. P. C. Hoong Aning observed this morning the defendants' sampan along the cargo boat, and saw the 1st defendant take two bags of rice and put them into the sampan where the 2nd defendant was. The Policeman then informed the 2nd mate, Mr. Tulloch, of this, who went with him and found the rice, as also some small bundles of old twine. The 1st defendant, the mother, was sent to three months' hard labour; the 2nd, the daughter, was sent to 14 days' hard labour.

#### A PICK-POCKET.

Wong Asam, a shop-employee, was charged with attempting to pick the pocket of a Chinaman and was sent to four months' hard labour, and to be exposed in the stocks for three times, one hour each time.

#### BURGLARY.

Leung Aloi, a boatman, was charged with being concerned in the burglary of the house of one Tin Ahol, No. 164, Queen's Road West. The case was remanded till the 27th.

#### LARCENY.

Li Ashing, a cook unemployed, was charged by P. C. Fang Aloi with stealing a bangle from a European child. An Amah named Young A-ting stated that she was in the employ of Mr. Humby, of the Empire Tavern, and she took the child to a cook shop to make a purchase and a man snatched the bangle from the child's wrist. She returned and reported the matter to her employer, who communicated with the Police. Sergeant Pang Aloi was sent to make enquiries. He heard something and then went to a smoking divan in Taiping-shan, where he saw the defendant and taxed him with the robbery. He admitted at last that he did so, and gave up the bangle. The case was adjourned till the 27th inst.

#### CONDENMED TO DEATH.

BY DAWIN C. PAYEY.

His crime was desertion; his punishment death.

On the morning of March 10, 1865, it was apparent to the government forces stationed at and near City Point, Va., that an event of more than ordinary significance was about to transpire. Officers and orderlies hurried to and fro through the narrow streets and by-ways of the place made famous as Grant's base of supplies, while an occasional gun in the rear told all too plainly the dreadful story of civil conflict.

The members of the 11th Pennsylvania, stationed near head-quarters, were sitting in their tents brightening their arms and accoutrements, or gathered in little knots in each company street were earnestly discussing the impending shooting. Provost Marshal General Patrick, the Craft of the army of the Potomac, was here and there, like a bird on the wing, issuing orders and dispatching orderlies with a promptness that boded no good to the poor fellow whose life was to pay the forfeit of an injurious movement toward home and friends, technically called desertion. At last, after hours of active preparation by the troops and unceasing meditation by the officers and non-commissioned officers.

The youthful proprietors are under the immediate direction of the facetious Assessor, who dictates the editorials on political affairs and thus indirectly wields an immense influence among its patrons. The paper is devoted to the Washington Grammar School, whose public subscribe generally and liberally for its support. A department of the journal is devoted to arithmetic, and the beneficial results of its reading cannot be too greatly estimated. The youthful editor does not indulge in abstruse conjecturing, but plies his readers with such mild and honest conundrums as the following:—

"If a wooden-legged horse runs a race with a lamp-post, how many onion skins will it take to cover the shadow of a match?"

"If it takes an India rubber elephant six weeks to hatch half a dozen four-eyed ducks out of seven east-iron water-melons, how many pints of silver-plated cobble-stones will it take to feed the same for six months?"

A column, in imitation of an older contemporary, is headed "Whoppers," and is laden with local quibbles of this character:

"That Jackson wanted to save his lunch for the next day. That Pike wears a paper shirt to school. That Harry McGee bought his hat on the installment plan. That Albert Williams sits on the fence to see her go by."

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#### JUVENILE JOURNALISM.

(San Francisco Chronicle.)

The spirit of infant journalism has recently exhibited itself in this city in a contagious type, and it is possible that within a brief period each school will have its interests cared for by a representative organ. The disease was noticeable in this city some time ago, but was suppressed in connection with a spirited controversy between two rival journalists who extended their differences beyond the editorial sanctum, and were collied by a stalwart policeman one evening while engaged in fumigating each other.

The immediate cause of the quarrel was a charge of plagiarism, made against one who styled himself the "champion juvenile story writer of the Pacific Coast." The tale involved the merciless slaughter of fourteen men, the destruction of an entire village and various kindred calamities, and was entitled "Fighting for Freedom, or the Fortunes of a Federal Fugitive." The charge was promptly refuted in the succeeding issue of The School Room, with the supplementary information that the accuser was a liar and a jail-bird. The judgment of the Police Magistrate was general and overwhelming, and the fines drained the youthful exchequer. Later, by the introduction of miniature hand-bills from the East, the issue of a newspaper, albeit of slender dimensions, has come within the reach of any boy who has an indulgent father. There are now about a dozen juvenile organs in circulation in this city, each journal assuming the control and guidance of some particular school, and each being confined almost exclusively in its circulation to the inmates of its school-house.

Among the first of these visitations was the Peanut, a sheet six inches long and four in width, which was hatched by Alec, son of Assessor Badlam. The young man nursed the enterprise with varying success for a few weeks and then graciously permitted Fred, Lee, son of the Police Captain, to assume a part-proprietorship at a ruminously low price. The youthful proprietors are under the immediate direction of the facetious Assessor, who dictates the editorials on political affairs, and thus indirectly wields an immense influence among its patrons. The paper is devoted to the Washington Grammar School, whose public subscribe generally and liberally for its support. A department of the journal is devoted to arithmetic, and the beneficial results of its reading cannot be too greatly estimated. The youthful editor does not indulge in abstruse conjecturing, but plies his readers with such mild and honest conundrums as the following:—

"If a wooden-legged horse runs a race with a lamp-post, how many onion skins will it take to cover the shadow of a match?"

"If it takes an India rubber elephant six weeks to hatch half a dozen four-eyed ducks out of seven east-iron water-melons, how many pints of silver-plated cobble-stones will it take to feed the same for six months?"

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but it is worse, far worse, for a woman.

People, probably, think just as well of a man who has been treated as a woman,

however, is disgruntled, and many marry-

men will hesitate before approaching her.

Besides, she has suffered in another

way. She has been made to lose much val-

ue, and her capacity to love has

been greatly reduced, if not destroyed,

during the period that she has been a party

to a pernicious "understanding."

Those, then, who have the control of young women

ought to see that their charges are not

needlessly victimised.

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man who is introduced to his daughter.

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D. O. PRESGRAVE, Municipal Secretary, Penang, Municipal Office, The 21st September, 1871.

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